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Subject Fw: Re Infection Control with Bair Hugger

Bob and all,
I am forwarding an email sent to Carol by her husband, Jeff, an orthopedic surgeon in Stillwater as an fyi. Who is Mike Reed? I do not see him come up on any references in a pubmed search on studies published on warming.

I know there is deliberation occurring regarding the aerobiology study. Carol and I had a conference call with Jeff Cooper, CEO of the Anesthesia Patient Safety Foundation, regarding the concerns about the literature misguiding practice. He is willing to facilitate sharing the information with the president of the Board to determine their interest in understanding the issue more. However, with the Legg study, and the limitations of the Sessler study, before we proceed with any further engagement it would be helpful for Carol and I to have the opportunity to meet with the core stakeholders on the strategy here to make sure we are fully informed and are pursuing value added activities.

At this time we will hold on further engagement of clinicians/KOLs etc until we understand the direction best to take.

Regards,
Michelle



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Very interesting. This is coming to the U of MN. Who is Mike Reed??
Carol

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FYI

From: Elizabeth Arendt [arend001@umn.edu]
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Here is more on the Bair hugger, FYI

From: Reed Mike (NORTHUMBRIA HEALTHCARE NHS FOUNDATION TRUST - NE29 8NH) [mailto:mike.reed@nhs.net]
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Subject: Re Infection Control with Bair Hugger

All

Sorry about the tardy response. I have attached the data that shows what happened since we wrote the paper and splits it between hips and knees - it's about another 400 cases. I have left the idiots guide that our statistician put on for me - I hope that helps!
You will see the effect is present for knees (0.6 vv 1.6%) as well as hips (1.3 vv 5.5%). The effect has been sustained.

I cannot really explain why we had such a difference in hip/knee infection rates. This was obviously a great source of concern to us. The effect of the warming method is present for both op types though. We now use conductive fabric warming (CFW) for both hips and knees (in fact all surgery in the hospital now, as it is cheaper).

Disclosures / Industry

In early 2009 our department did some microbiology work to see if we could culture bacteria around the table with FAW. Augustine (Hot Dog) sponsored this work (£5K). It didn't show anything and was rejected by the British Hip Society. None of the authors received any personal income from that.

Augustine provided the clever bubble machine for this experiment in the JBJS. It didn't cost our unit anything (apart from our time) and no money changed hands. Scott Augustine bought me a pizza at the British Hip Society earlier this year. Regrettably (!) I have no shares in Hot Dog, or futures in Bair Hugger. In truth I have considered that but feel this message is so important I wanted it out without conflict.

I was present at the experiments (I'm the surgeon in the video) and I am infection lead in our hospital - I'm convinced by the data.

Mark Albrecht is the brainy one and he is a research student who is having his way through your uni paid, at least in part, by Augustine. I am happy with the data and analysis though. As you are so close you could probably get him in to demo this effect in your OR?

I am coming through your town in June as an ABC fellow. Perhaps we could talk it through?

Mike

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Morning. These are all fair questions. I am pulling some data on this (on what has happened since paper submission) and hopefully will reply more fully over the weekend, including disclosures.

Thank you very much for your interest in the paper.

Mike

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Liza,

Very interesting, I had never thought of this issue. I did read the article and they cite usage of the Bair hugger as compared to the conductive fabric blanket. Both are made in Eden Prairie in companies started by Scott Augustine, MD, anesthesiologist originally from twin cities.

It's only one paper but there probably is scant info on this topic. I don't know the implications of switching to the conductive fabric for warming but it seems worth investigating. Perhaps you'd be willing to do so?

Kumar / Mr Reed,
 As a co-author of this paper,

1) do you know if the difference in infection % between forced air vs conductive fabric is statistically significant for hip replacement alone? ...knee replacement alone?

2) can you explain why knees had a much higher infection % compared to hips? As you know the opposite has been shown in prior studies. I'd presume some of those studies used a bair hugger. From your data, one might argue for the usage of a bair hugger when doing TKA's.

3) could you provide clarification of any perceived/potential conflict of interests?

4) Also, was industry involved in any way?

thanks

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Isn't this what the bear hugger is?
Should we change?

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